

# HACKNEY PEOPLE'S PRESS

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## WE'RE BACK!

It's been a long time since the last issue of HACKNEY PEOPLE'S PRESS - we hope you missed us! The reason for this delay is quite simple: there have just not been enough people around who have been willing to give up the odd hour or two occasionally to help us produce a new issue.

It's not your money we're after - if we sell all the copies that we produce then we can break even with each issue.

We want YOUR interest and YOUR enthusiasm to make this truly YOUR paper: the Hackney PEOPLE'S Press, produced by people in Hackney for people in Hackney.

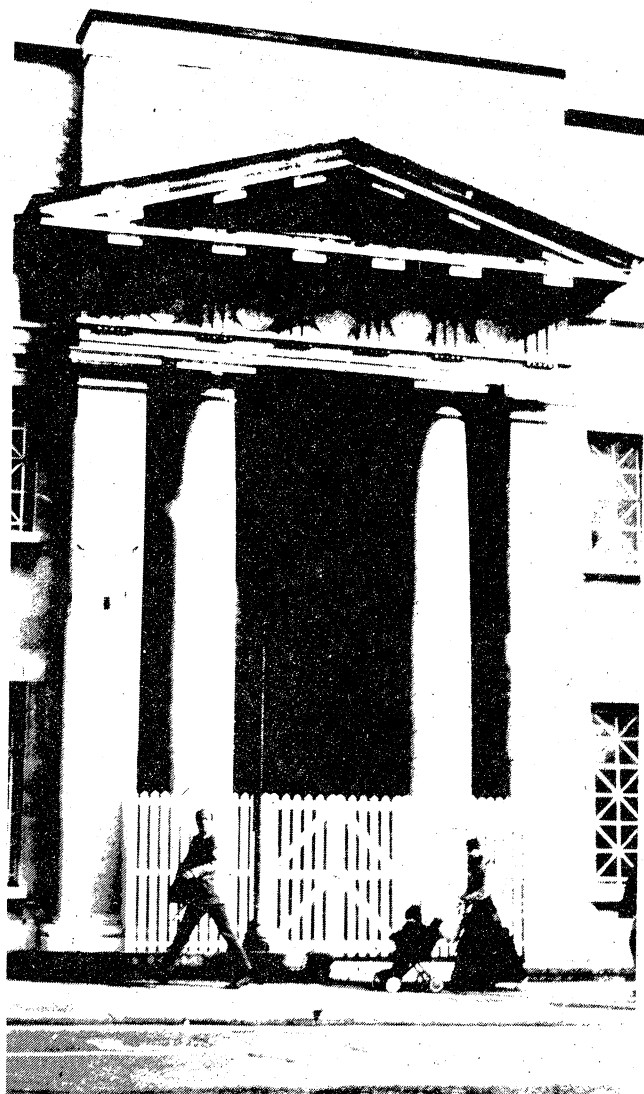
We need people who can help us do anything - write articles, type them out, do the design and layout, take photographs, distribute and sell the finished copies. It doesn't matter if you've never done anything like this before!

The few of us who are involved aren't asking for medals for what we do. But we think that Hackney needs the People's Press - and if no one agrees with us then we might as well pack up and go home.

So we are going to try and make HPP a more lively and exciting paper for you to read - we'd like your letters and your ideas if you just can't spare us your time. We hope that this issue will make you want to buy HPP again. If you want to hear what we will be doing in future issues, then contact us. Tell us if you agree or disagree with our ideas. But don't just sit there or this could be the LAST ISSUE!

For details of our next meeting to plan future issues leave a note for us in Centerprise, or ring Charles Foster on 249 0311.

**but not for long  
unless YOU help!**



The old public library in Brooksby's Walk. See p.4 inside for the new plans for the old building.

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# WANTED

## — MORE NURSERIES

THERE ARE OVER 4000 children under five years old in Hackney whose parents both work, or in the case of single-parent families whose one parent is at work. To cater for this immense need there are just 379 Council day nursery places at the moment, with another fifty promised when the Holly Street Nursery opens later this year. In addition there are 2 community nurseries which provide for a further 45 children and one 'extended play-group' (a 6 hour day) with 20 places. This means that 3,500 under fives whose parents are working are not being provided for by the statutory services at all.

The Hackney Nursery Campaign was founded as a result of discussion between Hackney Under Fives, Council Nursery Workers and the women's sub-committee of the Trades Council.

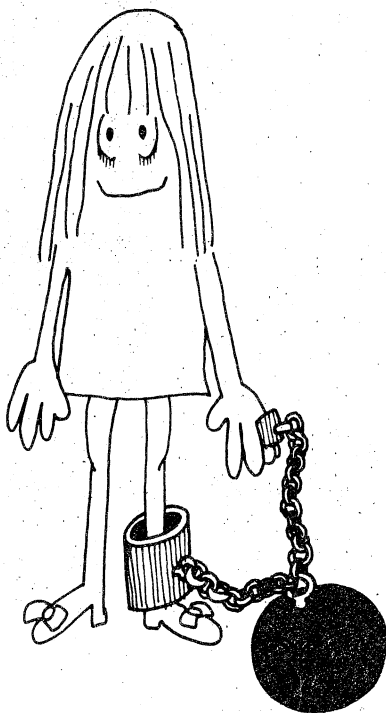
This combination represents the three main strands of interest, the children, the parents and the nursery workers. The campaign is also seeking support and direct involvement from Unions, Constituency Labour Parties, Tenant's Associations and so on.

## crisis

In the present crisis in public spending with cut-backs in hospitals, education, social services and transport, Government policy on nursery facilities is yet another example of the attacks on working-class living standards. And of course it is in working class areas such as Hackney that cut-backs in this service are really felt. If you have the money there are nannies, au pairs or expensive private nurseries to fill the gaps left by the Council's services.



The Equal Pay Act and the Sex Discrimination Act claim to change the position of women in society. But these laws mean nothing while at the same time the Government are implementing measures which will in effect ensure that women will remain tied to domestic and family duties.



Nursery Campaigns have grown up all over the country, particularly in the last year.

The Hackney Nursery campaign has two main aims:

- 1) More Nursery facilities.
- 2) Equal conditions for -
  - the children
  - the parents
  - and for the workers.

All Under fives workers should be paid by the local authority according to the same negotiated pay-scales, have access to the same recognised training courses and enjoy the same conditions of service. At the present time there are large disparities in these things with play-group workers and child-minders very much the poor relations.

The Hackney Campaign is collecting for a petition to be presented to the Council in June. It's main demands are:

1) That Hackney Council convert houses and also large flats on Estates for use as Nurseries.

2) That they speed up long-term plans for purpose-built nurseries.

## FOLLOW IT UP!

At this moment they are preparing their first approach to the council on certain specific matters. However the Campaign believes that it will and must succeed. To do this it needs the work and support of all those who are concerned to bring the issue to public opinion.

Details of the campaign are set out in chart form in the policy statement of the Hackney Nurseries Campaign. This, and copies of the petition can be obtained from the Under-Fives office at Centerprise, 136 Kingsland High St., E8.

To contact the Campaign, ring-  
Jane Maple 985 5705  
or Gillian Wilding 226 2491.

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Community Action, P.O. Box 665,  
London SW1X 8DZ.

# PRIVATE TENANTS ORGANISE

Tenants of private landlords face some of the most difficult housing problems in Hackney. Housing conditions are terrible. 1 in 3 has no hot water. 1 in 2 has no access to a bath or shower. 1 in 3 share a toilet. Only 1 in 5 of the 30,000 plus households (families or single people) living in private rented accommodation have all these facilities. In return, they frequently pay enormous rents. Illegal evictions and unlawful harassment are widespread. Often tenants have to fight long drawn-out niggling battles to get even minor repairs done. Overcrowding, damp, multi-occupation, lack of proper fire precautions, shared cooking facilities, high rents, leaking roofs, defective doors and windows are all common problems. Anyone who lives in Hackney knows that the housing conditions endured by many are diabolical. In the words of a local newspaper reporter: "It's a story when someone in Hackney is living in decent conditions." The question is: What can be done to change the situation?

It is news to many people to learn that Hackney Council has the legal powers to make sure that every family renting from a private landlord has:

- their own hot water supply
- their own cooking facilities
- their own sink

as well as to ensure that no one has to put up with a house or flat with damp, lack of an inside toilet, bad fire precautions, defective doors, windows and roofs. What's more, the Council has had these powers for years - but far too little has been done to use them effectively. In fact, it is fair to say that neither Hackney Council nor the GLC has any real policy on ways to improve the housing conditions of private tenants.

In recent years, private tenants in Hackney have not been well organised. Despite the efforts of individuals to help families who are particularly in need - which in some cases have proved successful - private tenants have not had a powerful, campaigning voice.

## LOCAL ACTION

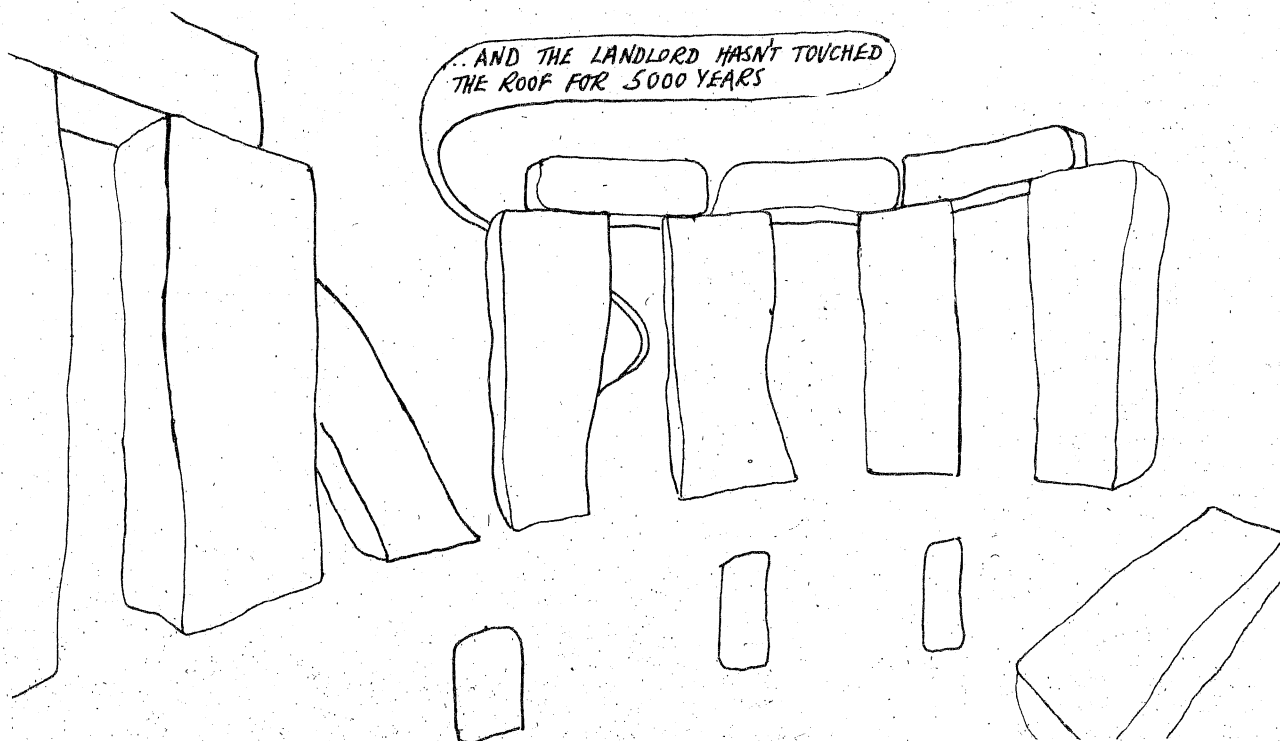
It is to force action to provide decent housing for all in the borough that the Hackney Private Tenants Association has been formed. We have started off in the Stoke Newington Common, Lower Clapton and West Hackney area which has a very high concentration of tenants in private rented housing. Already, however, some tenants living near Victoria Park and in the Stamford Hill area have expressed an interest. We aim to campaign for better housing for all, to make the Council adopt reasonable policies towards private tenants instead of forgetting us, and to help indiv-

iduals win their rights in the fight against their landlords. Already we have taken up the cases of some individuals, recruited members for the association (membership 5p per year), put our views to local councillors and MPs and tried to gain publicity about the problems of private tenants. We recognise that, in the long run, the housing crisis can only be solved when the economy is run for the people not for profiteers and landlords become extinct. But an essential part of winning decent housing for everyone in the future is to fight for better housing now in every possible way. In this fight we know we are not alone and so we have affiliated to the Hackney United Tenants Association and the National Association of Tenants and Residents.

To be really effective we need more members and more tenants who will actively participate in the work of the association. Will you help by joining? Come to our regular meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at the Church Hall, United Reform Church (on the corner of Rectory and Evering Roads) at 8pm. Or write to Hackney Private Tenants Association, c/o Andreas Kyriakou, 1 Foulden Terrace, N.16.

David Green.

...AND THE LANDLORD HASN'T TOUCHED  
THE ROOF FOR 5000 YEARS



# HOMERTON PROJECT:

When the new public library in Homerton High Street was opened by Lord George-Brown in 1974 the old library in Brooksbys Walk, off Chatsworth Road, became vacant with no apparent plans for its future use, except as temporary accommodation for the Citizens Advice Bureau. An imposing building in the neo-classical style which had won a civic design award when it was built in 1912, it seemed ideal for some kind of community use.

Internally it consists of three principal rooms, the largest being 45 by 30 feet with a high vaulted glass ceiling and a balcony eight feet wide all around it. There are two smaller rooms about 24 by 40 feet each, a few small store rooms, a basement and an attic. At the back there is a garden which is sadly overgrown at present, but which is potentially very attractive.

The building is situated on the edge of a busy shopping centre and market, in the middle of an area of mixed housing, comprising new council estates like Clapton Park, pre-war estates such as Kingsmead and a large area of Victorian terraced houses, with a total population of about 35,000.

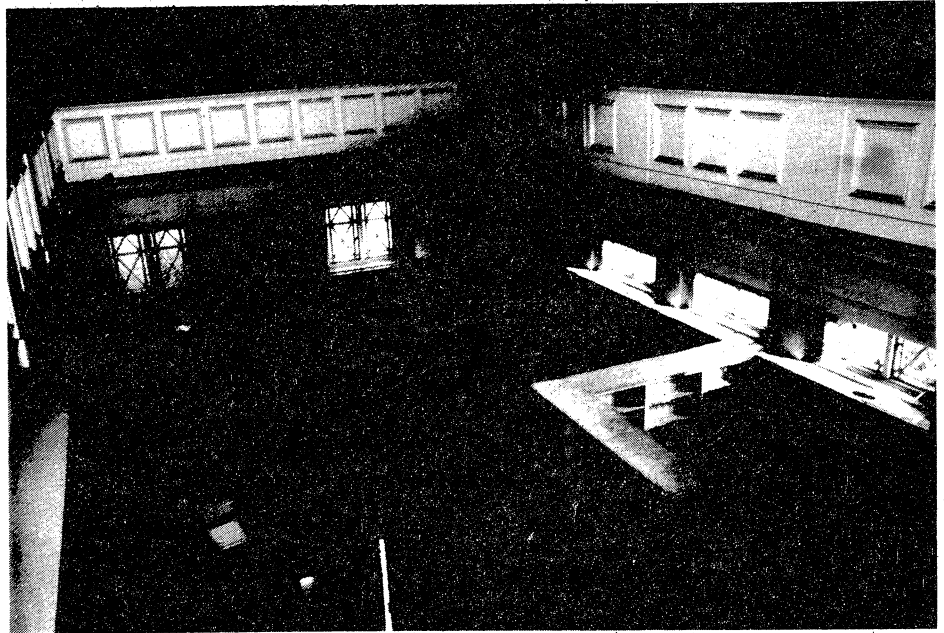
In April 1975, on the initiative of Joe Noble, a community worker in Homerton, representatives of several local organisations met to discuss how the building could best be used by the community, what each group could contribute, and how best to approach the Council.

Although many of the estates in the area already had community centres, it was felt that the building might well be able to become a focal point for the whole community, linking the various estates and the streets of the neighbourhood. In addition the size of the building would permit the types of events (such as theatre, music hall, concerts and dances) normally impracticable in the small community halls of the area. The different organisations involved each put forward proposals for activities in the centre and described schemes they were prepared to run. Basically it was felt that the space should be kept as flexible as possible to permit a wide variety of activities - educational, social, recreational and cultural.

An application was made under the Urban Aid scheme for a grant to run the project to cover rent, rates, heating and lighting and the salary of a full-time warden. This was turned down, although the Social Services Department of the Borough Council suggested that the Council might consider granting the lease of the building to the project organisers for a trial period.

## PEPPERCORN RENT

In March of this year the policy committee agreed to the proposal and the Council granted a lease at a peppercorn rent



Interior of the principal room, showing the balcony.

for three years with the proviso that a Council member sat on the Users' Council of the project and that liaison was maintained with the Library Services.

In addition, the Council has agreed to a grant of £5,000 to cover the cost of rates, fuel and fire precaution work.

Additional funds will be sought from charitable bodies, the ILEA, local industry and business, and through events organised within the premises and in connection with the Hackney Marsh Fun Festival.

Many proposals have been put forward as to how the centre may be used: clearly many of the activities will overlap.

In the educational field, there will be evening and day classes in recreational and semi-vocational subjects, courses in adult literacy and English for foreigners. Hackney College is willing to help in setting up supplementary school activities.

Cultural activities will include theatre (both amateur and professional), music hall, concerts of all types of music, music workshops, art and photographic exhibitions, a local

history museum and a bookshop.

Social facilities will include mothers and toddlers clubs, playgroups, and old folks club, facilities for latch-key kids, a Saturday children's cinema, a coffee bar and a licensed bar.

There will also be recreational activities with indoor games, such as chess, draughts and table tennis, and whist drives and bingo.

Also the project will provide meeting rooms for local organisations, a resources centre (typing, duplicating, silk-screening etc), storage space for community projects like the Fun Festival, and workshop facilities.

Obviously there will be practical problems in fitting everything and everyone in, and so some of these ideas are long-term objectives rather than immediate possibilities. As the project develops and particular needs become apparent, then emphasis may well shift in one direction or another.

## ORGANISATION

The acting executive committee has drawn up a constitution to cover the organisation and running

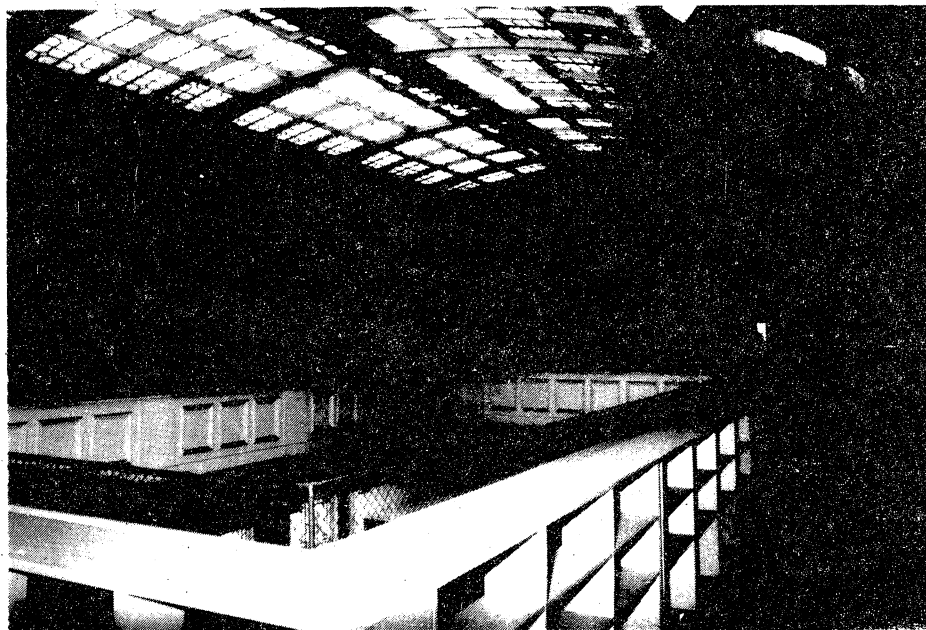
# new life in old library

of the project. Basically each affiliated organisation has one representative on the Users' Council which will meet at least three times a year to discuss aspects of general policy. From this body the officers and management committed will be elected, and these will meet regularly to deal with the day to day running.

The following organisations have already affiliated to the project - other groups are still invited to apply for affiliation.

Hackney Under Fives  
Clapton, Homerton and District Residents' Association  
Association of London housing estates (Hackney group)  
• East Hackney project  
Hackney toy library  
Hackney Committee against Racism  
Hackney Marsh Fun Festival  
Hackney Players  
Hackney United Tenants Federation  
Kwame Nkrumah Supplementary School  
Nisbet House TA  
Children of the Marshes  
Adventure playground  
Free Form  
Hackney Community Relations Council

Local people who are not members of one of these affiliated organisations may join a new group called Friends of the Homerton Community Project.



View from the balcony, showing the glass roof.

The basic aims of the centre are threefold:

1. To allow present groups to develop their existing work to its full potential.
2. To allow the various groups to come together with a cross-fertilisation of ideas

and objectives.

3. To enable new groups to form and develop in the atmosphere that the centre will create.

Any further information may be obtained from Mike Gray at 103 Dunlace Road, E.5. (986 0963)

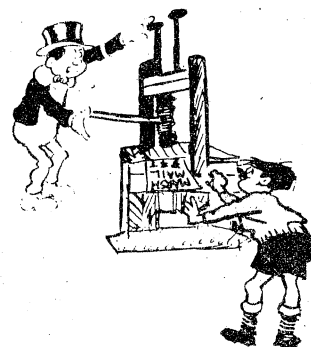
# EXTRA! EXTRA!

## read all about it!

Kids at the Hackney Marsh Adventure Playground have started their own newspaper/magazine, christened 'The Marsh Mail'. The project, supported by an Urban Aid grant, involved children between five and fifteen years old in reporting, photography, silk-screen printing and video work, with the emphasis on local news. The Dalston based arts group, Free Form, provided specialist knowledge for a 3 day intensive workshop just before Easter which turned the playground buildings into something like a scene from 'The Front Page'. "The project shows every sign of being a great

success so far," said sub-editor Charlie Brown, aged 14, of Kingsmead Estate. "We hope to have the first issue ready for printing in about two weeks."

Alan Rossiter, playleader at the Adventure Playground, explained that the paper was intended to stimulate the kids' interest in their environment and how it could be improved, and to increase their literary and artistic skills. But he added: "Our first priority was to give the kids a good time, because they are at their most creative when they're enjoying themselves."



Any children in the Homerton area who would like to submit material to 'The Marsh Mail' - articles, jokes, recipes, stories or artwork - are welcome to take it to the playground, which is on Daubeney Fields, Kingsmead Way, E.9. Adults are also invited to contribute, but are warned that their material must be of a very high standard indeed if it is going to be included!"



# ABORTION

## the fight goes on!

Laws are being passed daily, some make me feel angry or irritated but never before had I felt so nearly and personally endangered as when the James White Abortion Amendment Bill passed its second reading in the House of Commons. That was just over a year ago now. If the James White Bill had become law it would have meant:

No social grounds for abortion  
Restrictions on medical grounds  
No advice to under-sixteens,  
except with parents present  
Discrimination against foreign women  
No abortions after 20 weeks.

'Someone' was trying to take away from us what had been gained by the 1967 Abortion Act and the greater availability of contraceptives on the NHS. That 'someone' is not just James White, it is also Leo Abse, other parliamentarians, and all those outside parliament in organisations like SPUC (Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child), and the Catholic Church. This is quite a powerful body of people.

The National Abortion Campaign was formed to fight any restrictive change in abortion law and the James White Bill fell at the end of the last parliamentary session. But a committee of mainly anti-abortion people were reappointed to make recommendations to parliament on the working of the existing abortion law. The few MPs serving on the committee who did support the aims of the National Abortion Campaign, i.e. to keep abortion legal and safe and to make it freely available on the NHS, have resigned, saying that they were not prepared to work in such a biased setting.

Hackney Abortion Campaign has all along supported the National Campaign by writing letters to MPs, lobbying MPs, collecting signatures for petitions, raising the issues locally and attending National demonstrations like the one on April 3rd., when 10,000 people marched through central London. We are also campaigning for better abortion facilities on the NHS in Hackney.

We have picketed outside Hackney Hospital, which is not even implementing the 1967 Act and done some research into the number of abortions done in the borough. Now we are undertaking, with the help of the Community Health Council, a full scale investigation into the facilities provided, the attitude of doctors, what kind of counselling and care women get when they go to have an abortion. We are learning about out-patient abortion clinics in other areas of London and whether other groups in the borough are interested in campaigning for this kind of clinic to be set up in Hackney.

Since the National Abortion Campaign started there has been much more discussion on abortion nationally in the press and on television and also locally. But we know that there are still people in Hackney who don't know their rights about abortion and who don't know about our campaign to improve the chances for women to make a choice about when to have a child. Hackney Abortion Campaign has offered to talk to Mothers and Toddlers clubs and any other groups about abortion (both the national campaign and local conditions.) If you belong to any group and would like to have a speaker, then we would be glad to come to one of your meetings. For our own meetings we have arranged a programme of discussions open to anyone who wants to keep abortion legal and safe and who wants to see good facilities provided on the NHS.

**4 May:** Motherhood - our feelings about having children, pressures, problems etc.

**18 May:** Why is abortion under attack now? Relating abortion to the current political situation and to other women's issues.

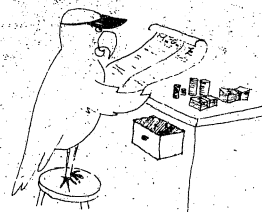
**1 June:** The history of abortion.

All meetings are at 8pm at 42 Kynaston Road, N.16 (249 1652).

For more information about abortion law and the national campaign contact the National Abortion Campaign, 30 Camden Road, NW1, or the Abortion Law Reform Association, 88 Islington High Street, N.1 (359 5200/5269).

Sarah Mudd

## ADVICE



**MANOR ROAD COUNSELLING CENTRE**  
Free Expert Advice on legal, financial, family/welfare and other matters. Information and help on housing, social security and personal problems. Wednesdays 7.00 - 8.30 in the Church Hall, Manor Road, N16 (by Manor Road/Lordship Road Traffic lights; 106 Bus.

**CENTREPRISE ADVICE CENTRE**  
Advice on Housing problems, legal and social security. Thursdays 6.30 - 8.00pm at Centerprise.

**HACKNEY NORTH LABOUR PARTY ADVICE CENTRE**  
5, Stamford Hill N16.  
Gives advice on tenant's problems especially harassment and repairs.  
Fridays 7pm - 8pm.

## THEATRE

**Half Moon Theatre** 27 Alie Street E.1 (480 6465)

From 1 May: **Out for Nine**, presented to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the General Strike.  
Written by Phil Woods and the company. Directed by Pam Brighton.

## small ads

Small ads free to individuals and worthy causes; trade rates available on request. Send your ad to Hackney People's Press c/o Centerprise, 136 Kingsland High Street, E.8.

Good homes with gardens wanted for kittens. Available from end May. Ring 359 5731.

Professional designer available for leaflets, posters, and all artwork and printing. Very cheap! Ring 249 0311.

'YES' cassettes in good condition - only £1 each.  
'Tales from Topographic Oceans', 'The Yes Album', 'Close to the Edge' etc.  
Ring 254 4310. After 8.00pm. Ask for Andrew Hall.

# information

## GROUPS

HACKNEY PENSIONER'S ASSOCIATION  
34 Dalston Lane, E8.  
Advice service on Tuesdays and  
Thursdays from 10.30 - 4.00pm.  
Tea Bar on Mon.-Fri. 10.30-4.00

HARAMBEE 2 PROJECT  
Upper Clapton Congregational  
Hall, E5  
Social and advice centre aimed  
particularly at black people.  
Open: Tues. 10am - 10pm.  
Thurs. 10am - 4.30pm.  
Fri. 10am - 10pm.

OFF CENTRE  
25 Hackney Grove, E8  
Advice for young people bet-  
ween 13 and 25 with any problems.  
Open: Mon-Fri. 10am - 6pm.  
(open till 8.30 on Tuesdays).  
Tel. 985 8566.

MENTAL PATIENTS UNION  
Meet at 177 Glenarm Road, E5.

HACKNEY UNITED TENANTS ASSOC.  
Information from 22, Stoke  
Newington Common, N16.

FRIENDS ANONYMOUS SERVICE  
Friendship House, 27 Hackney  
Grove, E8.  
Provides a 24-hour telephone  
service with people always  
ready to listen and act.  
986 2233 (24 hours)  
985 0973  
985 9146 (office hours)

SOUTH STOKE NEWINGTON COMMUN-  
ITY ASSOCIATION.  
54 Harcombe Road, N.16.  
Contact them if you are con-  
cerned about poor transport,  
badly planned redevelopment,  
empty houses and nowhere for  
the kids to play.



HACKNEY GINGERBREAD  
Group for one-parent fam-  
ilies. Meets every Monday  
at 34, Dalston Lane E8 at  
7.30. Further info. from  
Gloria Sullivan, 254 8405.

TASK FORCE  
34 Dalston Lane, E8.  
Help service for old people plus  
other schemes.  
Tel. 254 1620.

HACKNEY YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE  
Contact E. Ross (9865767).

## MEETINGS

HACKNEY LABOUR PARTY YOUNG  
SOCIALISTS  
Hackney Sth. and Central YS  
Meet every Wednesday at 8.00pm  
at 34, Dalston Lane, E8.

Hackney Nth. YS  
Meet every other Monday at 8pm  
at 5, Stamford Hill, N16.  
Contact Mark Douglas, 103  
Osbaldeston Road, N16.  
All welcome

HACKNEY COMMITTEE AGAINST  
RACIALISM  
Meets on the first Wednesday  
of each month at the Hackney  
Community Relations Council,  
Mare St., E8.

## FOOD



DOWN TO EARTH  
Durham Row, Stepney Green, E1  
790 3512  
Wholefood shop selling grains,  
flour, beans, honey, herbs etc.  
Open Mon. - Sat. 9am to 6pm.

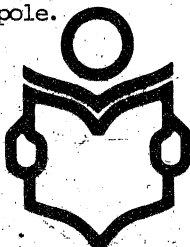
## CENTERPRISE

136 Kingsland High Street, E8.  
254 9362/3/4/5  
Coffee bar open Mondays, 1pm to  
6.30pm; Tuesday to Friday 10am  
to 10pm and Saturday 10am to 6.30pm.  
Bookshop opens at the same times  
but closes at 6.30pm.

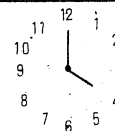
Other facilities and projects  
include:  
Learning Exchange  
A free exchange centre putting  
people who want to learn in touch  
with people who want to teach.

Silkscreen Workshop.  
Facilities for poster etc.  
Phone Centerprise and ask for  
Jim or Harriet.  
Photocopying and duplicating  
facilities are also available.  
Centerprise Publishing Project  
If you are interested in getting  
a book or pamphlet published  
contact Ken Worpole.

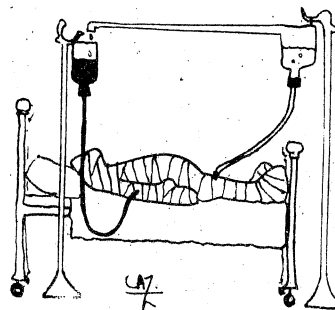
Reading centre  
for adults who  
can't read or  
write.  
Contact Sue  
Shrapnel.



Four O' Clock Club  
Play activities  
painting, sewing etc  
for the 7 - 11 age  
group on Tuesdays and  
Thursdays from 4pm  
to 6pm. School terms  
only.



## HEALTH



CITY AND HACKNEY COMMUNITY  
HEALTH COUNCIL  
Takes up criticisms of local  
health services.  
Open 10am - 5pm Mon. - Fri.  
and till 8.00pm on Tuesday.  
Based at Shoreditch Health  
Centre, 210 Kingsland Road  
(near St. Leonards hospital).  
Phone 739 6308.

## CHILDREN



PLAYGROUNDS  
Hackney Marsh (9867254)  
Shoreditch Park (739 0036)

HACKNEY UNDER FIVES COMMITTEE  
Contact Gillian Wilding 226 2491.



## WOMEN

HACKNEY WOMEN'S AID  
Details from 254 7504.

HACKNEY TRADES COUNCIL  
WOMEN'S SUB-COMMITTEE.

Meets second Tuesday of  
every Month at Centerprise.  
All welcome.

HACKNEY ABORTION CAMPAIGN  
Fortnightly meetings at  
42, Kynaston Road, N16.  
Tel: 249 1652.

# Home, home on the Marsh

The Hackney Marsh Fun Festival will take place again this year on Daubeney Fields, by the Clapton Park Estate on 10th and 11th July. The theme this year will be 'The East End Goes West', a Wild West extravaganza. The site will be laid out like a Wild West town with a saloon, a jailhouse corrals etc. and the programme will include a rodeo, cowboys and Indians, country and western music as well as the usual events like five a side football, darts and pool competition, crazy games, inflatables, the great pram race around local pubs and a carnival through the streets of Hackney.

All Hackney groups and associations are once again invited to set up side shows, stalls or displays during the festival. It is a fine way for them to publicise their activities and raise money. Between twelve and fifteen thousand people visited the festival last year, and over thirty organisations took advantage of the covered stall area to make their presence felt. The festival organisers ask that stall holders contribute 50% of their profits to help finance the festival, whose budget is about £7,000.

The Festival Committee would like to thank the Hackney Borough Council, whose support financially and materially helps to ensure the success of the event.

Any enquiries to the festival secretary, Janet Bassett, 87 Dunlace Road, E.5. (986 3507).



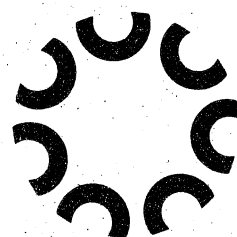
Hello Sailor! Damp fun and games at last year's Fun Festival. (photo: Barry King.)

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CENTERPRISE

Centerprise is five years old on 1st May - and a happy birthday from Hackney People's Press! To celebrate, there is a whole week of parties, talks, films and entertainments, to all of which everyone is invited. Admission free to all events (except the 5th birthday party which is just 25p - and bring a bottle!)

**SATURDAY 1 MAY 8.30pm**  
Grand Birthday Party  
dancing, food, real ale, games and diversions, special cake. Bring a bottle, children with adults welcome. Tickets 25p.

**TUESDAY 4 MAY 5.30pm**  
Douglas Lowndes: an approach to mass media  
talk on how TV and other means of communication shape the world we live in.



**TUESDAY 4 MAY 7.30pm**  
Bill Fishman: City of Dread Night  
the East End in Victorian and Edwardian times.

**WEDNESDAY 5 MAY 7.30pm**  
Tunde's Film  
Blues under the skin  
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